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The following annual reports were referred to the Publication Committee:

## REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY. 1914.

Ten meetings have been held during the year with an average attendance of thirty.

Thirty-three papers have been presented for publication, as follows: E. G. Vanatta, 4; Henry A. Pilsbry and Amos Brown, 3; Henry W. Fowler, 2; N. E. McIndoo, 2; Howard Crawley, 2; Henry Fox, 1; F. J. Keeley, 1; John H. Lowell, 1; Edward P. Poulton, 1; Witmer Stone, 1; H. Newell Wardle, 1; Henry A. Pilsbry, 1; Charles S. Boyer, 1; Albert M. Reese, 1; Roy Chapman Andrews, 1; Harold Heath, 1; Phil and Nellie Rau, 1; D. N. Barringer, 1; Burnett Smith, 1; Stanislas Meunier, 1; Joseph C. Thompson, 1; Charles P. Alexander, 1; Nathan Banks, 1; T. D. A. Cockerell, 1; James Chester Bradley et al., 1.

Five of these communications were returned to the authors and two await publication. The others have all appeared in the Proceedings.

Of the Proceedings 794 pages and 41 plates have been published. 413 pages, illustrated by 16 plates, have appeared of the Transactions of the American Entomological Section of the Academy). The Section has also issued 480 pages and 18 plates of the Entomological News. 357 pages and 36 plates have been added to the Manual of Conchology by Dr. Pilsbry. This is an increase of 480 pages and 17 plates over the total output for last year.

Seven members and eleven correspondents have been elected. The deaths of fifteen members and five correspondents have been announced. Resignations of membership have been accepted from William W. Keen, M.D., Edward Anthony Spitzka, M.D., and C. Hartman Kuhn. Four members were dropped for non-payment of dues.

A final report of the Centenary Celebration was read at the meeting of December 2, 1913. A resolution expressive of the Academy's appreciation of the work of the Committee having charge of the celebration was adopted and duly recorded in the published Proceedings.

George Vaux, Jr., was reappointed by the Council the Solicitor of the Academy; Frank J. Keeley was also reappointed Curator of the William S. Vaux Collections, and Joseph Wilcox Custodian of the Isaac Lea Collections.

By authority of the Council, the securities of the Academy have been transferred from the Trust Company of North America to the Girard Trust Co.

The manuscript history of the Academy, prepared by the Recording Secretary in connection with the Centenary proceedings and accepted for publication in 1912, has been for some time ready for the printer, but awaits the necessary appropriation for its issue in proper form with desirable illustrations. The requisite amount is believed to be \$1800 for an edition of, say, 500 copies.

The Hayden Memorial medal was presented to Dr. Henry Fair-field Osborn for his distinguished work in palæontology at a special meeting held November 24. The presentation address was made by the President and responded to by the recipient of the award.

The lectures delivered to the pupils of the Girls' High School, referred to in the last report, were continued with gratifying results until April 15. During the current season so far two lectures of a similar course have been delivered by Dr. Skinner, two by Dr. Pilsbry, and one by Dr. Moore.

The regular course to the public was delivered on Monday evenings from January 5 to April 27 as follows: Three by Dr. Witmer Stone, on local bird life; one by Dr. B. Franklin Royer, on plagues, their transmission and prevention; one by F. Herbert Snow, on dangers of bad water; three by Dr. Henry A. Pilsbry, on the scientific explorers of America; three by Dr. Henry Skinner, on entomology; three by Dr. Spencer Trotter, on anthropology; three by Dr. Witmer Stone, on local wild flowers, substituting for Mr. Stewardson Brown, who was unable because of illness to deliver his appointed course.

The Delaware Valley Naturalists' Union, the Pennsylvania Library Club, the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club, the Philadelphia Botanical Club and the Philadelphia County Medical Society have held meetings in the Academy.

Edward J. Nolan, Recording Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

In the foreign relations of the Academy during the past year the most noteworthy circumstance was the marked decrease in the